



REMARKS

First, claim 24 has been amended to correct the typographical error.

Pending claims 21-32 stand rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over certain claims of USP 6,616,498. Although Applicant does not agree with this obviousness-type double-patenting rejection, to expedite the allowance of this application, Applicant is filing herewith a Terminal Disclaimer to overcome this rejection.

Thus, the application is submitted to be in condition for allowance. The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned if there are informalities that can be resolved in a phone conversation, or if the Examiner has any ideas or suggestions for further advancing the prosecution of this case.

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